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THE QUESTION.

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And if you sing of heretics bold Who battle for a nation's weal; If tales of statesmanship are told Which great sagacity reveal; Or if 'tis art that claims your praise In language so intensely wise, The people smile and go their ways And ask, "Whom does it advertise?"—Washington Star.

NOT A COMMON THIEF.

The charge against the prisoner at the bar was embezzlement. It was alleged in the indictment that he had "maliciously and feloniously appropriated and embezzled, for his own use, the sum of \$500,000." "What say you?" he was asked. "Are you guilty or not guilty?" "The amount involved," haughtily responded the prisoner, "is a sufficient answer to that question. When a man gets away with half a million it is not embezzlement. It is merely diverting money into unconventional channels."—Chicago Tribune.

THE REWARD OF ECONOMY.

Kwiter—What's that old saying? "Take care of the pennies and—" Newitt—And the dollars will take care of your heirs.—Philadelphia Press.

Chicago in Babylon.

President Harper of the University of Chicago has succeeded in securing from the Sultan the right to explore the ruins of ancient Babylon. The university has now obtained permission to excavate in Tel Ibrahim. Application was made to the Sultan for permission to explore the ruins of Babylon and its neighborhood in 1900, and after long delays it was granted. But further delays occurred and the trade was not issued. Then it was discovered that the Germans had received permission to explore the same territory. It is believed that the ruins of the temple in which Nebuchadnezzar offered sacrifices in 580 B. C., and also an extensive library of clay tablets, will be uncovered.

DESCRIPTIVE.

Darkway—Did you make love to any girls at the shore? Cleverton—Yes. One from Boston and one from New Orleans. "How was it?" "Did you ever have chills and fever?"—Smart Set.

The French Recruits.

The number of recruits accepted for the French army for 1904 is only 1,600,000, against 2,300,000 for 1903, although the difference in the number of men on the lists is not more than 500. The decrease of 70,000 is due to a more rigorous examination of the conscripts.

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Three Generations of "Camps."

Three generations of one family are compositors in the office of the Trenton (Mo.) Republican-Tribune. They are "Grandpa" Allen, aged sixty-five; his son, C. A. Allen, who is foreman, and the latter's son and daughter, Thomas and Mabel, aged fourteen and sixteen, respectively.

SCIENCE FOR THE YOUNG.

The camel is a patient beast; He goes for days without a drink. There is a legend in the East Which says the camel cannot wink.

But that is just an idle jest— We wished to show a thought sublime; The camel is a model good— He humps himself all of the time. —Chicago Tribune.

Household Matters

Staining Woodwork.

Before using varnish stain on boards or any wood article, brush over with a strong solution of permanganate of potash. This is not only a disinfectant, but makes a dark foundation for the varnish stain, of which one coat will then be found sufficient.

Silk Underwear.

Soap should never be rubbed directly upon silk underwear. Strong soap made of warm water and a white soap will be found best. Squeeze the garment in this water, and then, if the garment is very much soiled, pass it through another warm sud. Press between the hands to get out the water, shake well, press on the wrong side with a moderately hot iron. Silk treated in this way will keep the color so long as it holds together.

To Preserve Brushes.

Good hairbrushes are costly items, and a way to keep the bristles stiff and clean for years is worth knowing. A Russian collier gives this recipe: Have ready two basins; put a lump of soda the size of a walnut in one and three parts fill it with boiling water; the other basin should be three parts filled with water as cold as you can get it, to which you have added sufficient lemon juice or good white vinegar to give it a noticeably acid taste. Shake the bristles of the brush well up and down in the boiling water till they are clean, then at once rinse them thoroughly in the cold water and stand them up to dry in the air or in a warm place, but not too near the fire. Of course, the back of the brushes must not be wetted.

Uses of Waste Paper.

Few housewives know of the numerous uses that waste paper can be put to. After a stove has been blackened, it can be kept in a very good condition by rubbing it every day with paper. The teakettle, teapot and coffee pot can also be kept bright and clean in the same way. Knives and tinware can be polished till they shine like silver. Paper is better than a dry cloth for improving the appearance of mirrors, lamp chimneys, etc. Preserves and pickles keep much better if brown paper, instead of cloth, is tied over the jar. Paper is as good as wadding for putting under carpets, and two thicknesses placed under a spread make a covering as warm as a blanket.—Jessie Fordyce, in American Queen.

Rules for the Mistress.

Do not interfere with the girl's amusements after her work is done. Besides regular afternoon and evening off, give a maid an occasional day off. Don't expect more from a servant than you could do yourself. Meals shall be prepared at regular hours and the girl's work must not be delayed by tardiness. Increase wages in proportion as services become valuable. Remember that your servant is a human being not a beast of burden. Place some room other than the kitchen at her disposal to receive company. If criticism is to be made, do it in a cool, dispassionate manner. Follow the Golden Rule. Do not interfere with any of her superstitions or religious beliefs. Do not interfere with her love affairs unless she asks for advice.

A Cozy and Aristocratic Sitting-Room. To the lover of harmony in furnishings as well as in sound, the more artistic a room the more comfortable it will be. Many rooms are furnished in good taste with a regard for color and arrangement, yet they lack something—call it "artistic confusion."

Order is of course a desirable thing, but when every article of furniture and every book is in its proper place, the room looks more like a show room than a living room. A magazine lying carelessly on the window sill or on a chair looks as if it were being read. Too much order gives a stiff appearance to the most beautiful room, and destroys the artistic careless effect that few rooms possess.

Of course, there is the other extreme. The artist whose friends have to make their way as best they can through a chaotic studio or sitting room—when she does not affect the disorder—consoles with the rather fallacious saying that "Genius knows no order."—Mrs. R. Baldwin, in American Queen.

RECIPES.

Egg Fondue.—Beat four eggs until light; add to them a little salt and pepper for seasoning, two tablespoonsful of Parmesan cheese and two tablespoonsful of milk; put one tablespoonful of butter in a frying pan; when hot, turn in the eggs; stir until thickened; serve on toast.

Omelet With Peppers.—Beat separately the whites and yolks of five eggs. Put them together, season with salt, flavor with a teaspoonful of onion juice, and add half a cupful of green peppers which have been chopped and fried in a little butter. Cook in a hot buttered omelet pan.

Pineapple Cobbler.—Four slices of pineapple cut in dice, one lemon and one orange sliced very thin, eight tablespoonsful of sugar, one pint of cold water and one cup of shaved ice. Place the fruit in a bowl, strew with the sugar and a little ice, and in ten minutes add the shaved ice. Stir well and pour into glasses half full of shaved ice, decorate with ripe berries.

Egg Vermicelli.—Boil four eggs twenty minutes; make a white sauce with two level tablespoonsful of butter and two level tablespoonsful of flour; when the butter has melted add the flour and stir together until smooth; add gradually one cupful of cold milk; stir this over the fire until thickened and boiling; add one-fourth teaspoonful of salt and a little pepper; toast six slices of bread; remove the shell from the eggs, cut them in halves, separate the yolks from the whites; part in small pieces of rings; mix them with the same; pour the sauce over the toast and rub the yolks over the top through a sieve.

AGRICULTURAL.

To Prevent Swarming.

Bees swarm because they lack room in the hive. The old queen and the workers leave and give up the hive to the younger bees. To prevent swarming add more space at the top, so that the workers can be provided with storage room. It is better to have one strong colony than two weak ones, as the bees can more easily protect themselves against enemies when they are numerous. At this season, if the weather is mild, the bees may find plenty of bee forage, but later on they are compelled to travel to greater distances, and some of them are thus destroyed, for which reason the colony should be strong.

Making Calves Thrifty.

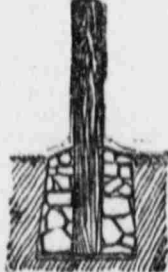
When calves are not thrifty the cause may be in the management. Irregularity in feeding, overlooking their peculiarities and preferences and crowding them are reasons that cause lack of thrift. When several calves are together, and their milk poured into a common trough, the stronger ones will secure more than their share and the weaker calves less than a sufficiency. Lack of water in very warm weather during the middle of the day may cause harm, for it is customary with some to water the cows and calves only twice a day where the supply of water is at the barn only. The remedy is to feed each calf separately from the others and give a variety of food.

The Pasture Question.

Does it pay to use a pasture; that is, will a larger profit be derived from cows that are given exclusively the use of a pasture, or will the same land pay more if used for producing hay? It has been found, after repeated tests, that about four times as much food could be obtained from a meadow by allowing it to produce hay than by pasturing it, which means that four cows can be kept on the land where only one can be kept by pasturing it. One of the drawbacks against using the land for hay, however, is that considerable labor is required in mowing, curing and storing the hay, while the cows on the pasture perform the labor. Also, the cows given green food as pasture produce more milk in the summer season than if kept on hay, and must be given green food in some manner to be profitable.

The Corner Post.

The end or corner post of a wire fence has much responsibility placed upon it, hence the need of great firmness. The cut shows a plan that will



give satisfaction. Dig a large opening and set the post in the middle of it. Fill in about it with loose stones and pour cement into the spaces between the stones. When the cement has set, the post will be in the middle of a massive boulder, and will be exceedingly hard to "budge." Make the sides sloping inward, as shown, that the frost may not lift the whole bodily.—Farm Journal.

Liquid Manures.

The barnyard should be watched at this time of year to see that the liquids do not run to waste. If the flow can be turned into a field, and spread out evenly, to soak away over its surface, the manure contained in it will settle in the ground and be saved. On lands where this deposit is made no other manure will be necessary, as the best manure, the chemical salts, are washed out and flow away with the water. Where there is a considerable distance for the stream to run, there will all be deposited, unless the flow is too rapid. Where the liquid cannot be made to flow over a field, it should be dammed up in the barnyard, and the coarse manure thrown into the pool. This is supposing that no arrangements were made the year before to manage it to better advantage. To utilize this valuable material there should always be hauled in the barnyard, in the autumn season, a lot of muck or earth, which should be so placed that it may be made to absorb the liquids. Where there is a basement it can be placed therein and wheeled out at any time that it is required. Without such convenience it may be piled up across the natural outlet of the barnyard and so serve the purpose of a dam and absorbent.

Saving All the Plant Food.

Those who have had the most experience in handling stable manure agree that the best results come from spreading the manure over the fields as soon after it is made as possible. If it can be cultivated under the soil, the better. There are, however, many farmers so situated that it is impossible to handle the manure in this way, particularly during the summer. In such cases the manure may be kept in good condition if it is spread under an open shed, where the animals will tramp it down. Every few days a small quantity of litter should be thrown over the mass, but most of the coarse manure should be removed.

If a cement bottom is put in this shed, built so that it slopes, basin-like, toward the centre, there will be no loss of the liquid excrements. By arranging the gutters in the barn so that the flow will be from the stables into this shed, all of the liquid manure will be saved. The cost of such a shed will be paid for in a few years if one has a number of cattle. At any rate, it is the only plan by which the valuable portions of the manure may be saved. The old plan of throwing the manure into heaps in the yard, where it catches the drip from the barn roof, means throwing money away.

During last year electrical railway companies ran their cars eleven times the distance from the earth to the sun, killed 1215 persons and injured 47,429.



How a Farmer was Freed from Misery

WORTHY of a higher recommendation than I can find words to express. This is what I, J. H. Plangman, of Sherman, Tex., says of Doan's Kidney Pills. He tells his experience in the following words: He says, "Sometimes in September I was taken with a dull aching pain across the small of my back, directly over the kidneys. I paid small attention to this at first, thinking it would pass off. But instead of getting better it became worse and in a short time the pain centered through my left hip and down my left leg as far as the knee. This is precisely what kidney trouble will do with the body. It does not always show itself at first, but appears just in this way, when some unusual movement or action brings sharp pains and exhaustive aches, telling of sick kidneys. So Mr. Plangman's experience bore this out. Continuing, he says: 'I did not know the cause of the trouble, but I am led to believe now that it was first brought about by jumping in and out of the wagon and in some way I may have strained my back. 'I was constantly growing worse,' he continues, 'and I became very much alarmed about my condition. I knew that something had to be done or serious results were sure to follow. I went to a specialist here in Sherman, and underwent a rigid examination. Then he relates how the doctor told him that it was a serious case, but that he could cure him for fifty dollars.'

However, necessity knows no law and Mr. Plangman paid half down and took the treatment and followed it faithfully for four weeks. Naturally, he thought that he would soon be rid of the trouble, but in spite of the doctoring he goes on to add, "I was in such misery that it was almost impossible for me to do my work. 'It was at this juncture that Doan's Kidney Pills came to my notice and I procured some from the drug store of C. E. Craycroft. I used three pills according to directions, and to my surprise I was considerably relieved on the second day, and in a short time completely cured.' This is the universal experience of those who have suffered from kidney trouble and who have been fortunate enough to test the merits of Doan's Kidney Pills. There is nothing wonderful or magical about this remedy, it simply does the work by direct action on the kidneys. Doan's Kidney Pills are for the kidneys only and this accounts for their speedy and certain action. Early indications of kidney trouble come from two sources, the back and the bladder. The back becomes weak and lame because the kidneys are sick, and relief from backache can only be complete when the kidneys are set right.

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